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#### California Arts Council announces Artists in Residence - Individual **Artist Residency Grant Program**

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**SACRAMENTO:** The California Arts Council is currently accepting applications for the Artists in Residence Program 1998-99 Individual Artist Residency Program. The deadline for filing applications with the CAC for this program is February 6, 1998.

The Artists in Residence Program provides funding for projects that emphasize long-term, in-depth interaction between professional artists and an ongoing group of participants through workshops and classes sponsored by schools, nonprofit organizations, units of government and tribal councils. Artists of all disciplines are eligible to apply. Projects should enable the participants to understand the art form involved and to develop their creativity through that art form. All projects consist primarily of hands-on experience, and may also include the history, critical theory and ideas of the art form. Each project is locally designed and developed by the artist and sponsoring organization. All residencies require that matching funds be provided by the sponsor organization. In an individual artist residency, one or two collaborating artists work with a sponsor or with cosponsoring organizations to develop a project. Artists receive \$1.6 00 in fees for 80 hours per month of project time; projects are a minimum of three months and most are 9-11 months.

To request a grant application from the CAC, you have three options. They are as follows:



### **Download the application directly from our Web site at:** http://www.cac.ca.gov



#### Call our toll-free number 1-800-201-6201 and request:

- that we mail you a "hard copy" application via the U.S. Postal Service; or
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HTTP://WWW.CAC.CA.GOV EMAIL: CAC@CWO.COM Regardless of which method you choose to request an application from the California Arts Council, there will be no cost to you in making the request.

#### If you'd like to apply, be sure to read this!



If you were a grantee to this program in its last cycle, you will automatically receive an application in the mail.

If you were <u>not a grantee</u> to this program in its last cycle, and you'd like to apply, please choose one of the three methods given above for obtaining your application.

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#### **About the CAC!**

The California Arts Council, a state agency established in 1976, promotes artistic awareness and participation in California. The California Arts Council's mission is to promote the arts and serve the people of California. The Arts Council provides technical assistance and grants to artists and nonprofit organizations. Applications are reviewed and rated at public meetings by outside professional peer panels and receive final approval from the appointed 11-member Council. Arts Council members include: Thomas Hall, Chair; James L. Loper, Vice Chair; Dea Spanos Berberian; Edward C. Cazier, Jr.; Iris R. Dart; Doris Fisher; Barbara George; Hugh Hewitt; Janet Karatz; David C. Lizarraga; and A.C. Lyles.

This and other information can be found on the California Arts Council's Web site at: http://www.cac.ca.gov. Check it out!